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SUBJECT: RAUL QUIJANO TO BE NEW FOREIGN MINISTER

REF: BUENOS AIRES 0269

- 1. RAUL QUIJANO ARRIVES IN BUENOS AIRES TODAY FROM THE UN. PRESS SPECULATION AND SOME REPORTS FROM SOURCES WITHIN THE CASA ROSADA INDICATE HE MAY BE APPOINTED FOREIGN MINISTER TO REPLACE ARAUZ CASTEX. IF SO, THIS WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT APPOINTMENT. QUIJANO IS A CAREER DIPLOMAT WHO SERVED SEVERAL YEARS AS ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR TO THE OAS BEFORE GOING ON LEAVE TO ACCEPT POSITION WITH THE UN SECRETARIAT. HE IS HIGHLY REGARDED BY OFFICIALS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND WOULD BE A WELCOME CHANGE FROM ARAUZ CASTEX, WHO, ALTHOUGH INTELLIGENT AND WELL-MEANING, HAD NO EXPERIENCE AT ALL IN FOREIGN POLICY AND LITTLE IDEA AS TO HOW TO USE THOSE MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF WHO DID.
- 2. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF EMBASSY STAFF MEPUQUIJANO WHILE HE WAS ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR AT THE OAS AND WERE FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. US OAS AND USUN, HOWEVER, WILL PROBABLY HAVE BETTER INFORMATION ON HIS STYLE OF DIPLOMACY AND ATTITUDES TOWARD US.

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3. JUST AS CABLE READY TO BE TRANSMITTED, IT WAS ANNOUNCED

| THAT QUIJANO WAS APPOINTED FOREIGN MINISTER THIS MORNING AND |
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| APPARENTLY WILL BE SWORN IN THIS AFTERNOON.                  |
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